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For: SINGLE WAFER TYPE SUBSTRATE CLEANING METHOD AND APPARATUS

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 9, 2005

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 15, 2005, and is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.